

**PALOMAR AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
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**MINUTES**

**Thursday, January 19, 2006**

Chairperson Ramona Finnila called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. on January 19, 2006 in the Carlsbad City Council Chambers, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad, California.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chairperson Ramona Finnila  
Vice-Chairperson Tim Hutter  
John Christensen  
Chuck Collins  
Bob Fuselier  
Bob Gates  
Ginna Reyes  
Tom Ricotta  
Howard Williams

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

Members present represent a quorum

**COUNTY STAFF PRESENT**

Peter Drinkwater  
Sunny Barrett  
Guillermo "Willie" Vasquez  
Steve Cummings  
Dan Thompson

**ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS**

There were no introductions.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Three corrections were made to the November 2005 minutes. First, the comments on page five regarding the SH&E Consultant Group should have been attributed to Mr. Hutter, not Mr. Ricotta. Second, the November PAAC meeting minutes were being approved rather than the October meeting minutes. Third, Ramona Finnila was named as the recipient of the Fran Alsheir Leadership Award.

Chuck Collins motioned that the minutes for the month of November 2005 be approved, Tom Ricotta seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with John Christensen abstaining.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

There were no public comments on items not on the agenda.

### **CITY OF SAN MARCOS PART 150 RECOMMENDATIONS – VOLUNTARY NOISE ABATEMENT PROGRAM FOR ARRIVALS** – J. Desmond

Jim Desmond, a pilot and city councilman for the City of San Marcos asked about establishing a Voluntary Noise Abatement Procedure (VNAP) for arrivals at Palomar Airport. He said that the current arrival patterns fly approximately 825 feet above three mobile home parks. He has received complaints from some of his constituents who live at the park. He requested that a PAAC member, along with FAA participation, be part of a development committee for a VNAP for arrival patterns, which avoids the mobile home parks. He spoke of the possibility of establishing an approach pattern over a local industrial park, which may alleviate some of the noise impact on the mobile home park.

Mr. Desmond volunteered to serve on the proposed committee, which would also include a member of the PAAC and a representative of the McClellan-Palomar Air Traffic Control Tower. The FAA has given the authority to the tower and to the airport to develop a VNAP procedure which would eventually need FAA Western Regional approval and possibly approval from the FAA in Washington, D.C.

The PAAC members had questions regarding how he gathered his noise impact data, the height of the noise monitor at the Mobile Home Park and altitudes currently used on approach. The current VNAP arrival pattern was discussed.

### **FLY FRIENDLY PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT** – G. Reyes

Ms. Reyes reported that County staff is working on the final details for the pilot outreach. The County has approved the final draft of the Fly Friendly logo and a graphic change that was suggested by the Fly Friendly committee. Posters, fliers and signs will be completed soon. The County will then begin to work with the FBO's, airport businesses and flight schools to make sure the posters are put up and that the fliers are distributed to the pilots. The entire airport continues to make an effort to keep up on awareness of the community's concerns. Steve Cummings and Chuck Collins have finished the power point display and presentations are being lined up. Ms. Reyes thanked Maureen Kube and Gail Carroll for their assistance. The committee has asked for 1,500 letters to be printed. Some of the letters have been distributed via e-mail. The Fly Friendly Program committee will encourage as many homeowners associations as possible to include this letter in their first of the year statements and/or newsletters, which will encourage citizens to attend the Fly Friendly Program power point presentations and heighten awareness of the program. A number of homeowners groups have already been contacted, including

the mobile home parks Mr. Desmond spoke of. If there are any groups that would like to schedule a presentation, please contact one of the Fly Friendly Program committee members.

#### **PART 150 UPDATE** – G. Vasquez

URS conducted a public meeting on January 10<sup>th</sup>. Approximately 78 people from the aviation and local communities attended. Twelve speakers provided comment, half of which were pro and the other half had concerns with the airport. Overall, the meeting went well. URS is still collecting feedback in written form. A letter that was supportive of the airport, written by a local resident was received on January 19, 2006. It will be forwarded to URS as part of the study. URS will be taking public comment until January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Ms. Finnila commented that the people who spoke at the public meeting in opposition to aspects of the airport are asking good questions based on a better understanding of how the airport works. Several PAAC members spoke with people and answered their questions after the presentation and public comment period concluded.

#### **AIRPORT COMMUNITY RELATIONS** – S. Cummings

- ➔ Monthly Operations Count: 15,198
- ➔ Monthly Air Carriers Throughput:
  - Revenue Out: 3,487; Revenue In: 3,218; Non-Revenue Out: 479;
  - Non-Revenue In: 436
- ➔ Annual Operations Count: 209,293
- ➔ Monthly Enplanements: 3,966
- ➔ Annual Enplanements: 49,586
- ➔ Local Traffic: 3,923
- ➔ Transient Traffic: 11,275
- ➔ IFR Traffic: 4,479
- ➔ VFR Traffic: 10,719
- ➔ Monthly Concerns for October: 34
- ➔ Annual Concerns: 1,266
- ➔ Ratio of concerns to operations: 34:15,198; 1 concern for every 447 operations.
- ➔ Local caller traffic breakdown:
  - Southwest: 31 concerns; San Marcos: 1 concern; Vista: 1 concern; Valley Center: 1 concern
- ➔ Single Callers: 14; Repeat Callers: 2
- ➔ Noise complaints by aircraft type: Props: 20; Jets: 12; Helicopters: 12
- ➔ Noise complaints by type:
  - Noise Concerns: 1; VNAP Concerns: 17; Low: 16; over flight: 0
- ➔ Noise complaints by time of day:
  - 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.: 17; 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.: 0; 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.: 17

Mr. Richard Carlin of Cyrus Way in Oceanside said that he had noticed that flights that departed at a “reasonable” rate of climb make less noise than those that make a steeper ascent.

**STAFF REPORT** – G. Vasquez

The north side ramp project is continuing. The contractors are building the wall on the extreme north side of the project, which will conclude within the next week and a half. They will then backfill the area and bring it up to grade. They will also pour the sides of the clarifier. There will be a hole until the clarifier is built, which will be sometime in the next forty days. The night work will start in the next 30-45 days. That work will include the earth work required for the taxiway connections and some pavement work as well. It will take place between 11pm and 6am. The airport will be closed during that time. As soon as the official notification is received from the contractor, the FBO’s and the airlines will be notified. The night work will take approximately two weeks. Rain may extend that time frame.

**DIRECTOR’S REPORT** – P. Drinkwater/S. Barrett

Airports Program Coordinator Sunny Barrett advised that the Redevelopment Agency completed a \$16 million bond issue on 12/22/2005. She advised that funds would be used to refund outstanding 1995 Agency bonds, pay bond cost of issuance expenses, fund a required debt service reserve account, fund an Agency contingency, and repay AEF loans. Ms. Barrett said that \$10.4 million in bond funds was available to repay AEF loans, which as of 9/30/05 totaled \$13,700,520, including \$9,311,875 principal and \$4,388,645 interest. Ms. Barrett indicated that the Board approval was required to transfer the funds to the AEF and that she anticipated the item would be taken to the Board of Supervisors on February 28, 2006. She further advised that the Fiscal Consultant for the bond issue demonstrated, using very conservative tax increment growth projections, that the Agency would have sufficient revenue to begin repaying the balance due the AEF in 2013 and complete repayment before the Redevelopment Plan expires in 2032.

Ms. Barrett said that the bond funds must be spent within three years. Airports Director Pete Drinkwater discussed a list of potential projects that would qualify for funding with the bond proceeds.

PAAC members asked questions about the interest on the loans and the timeframe for the projects, which Mr. Drinkwater and Ms. Barrett answered.

It was reported that construction on the new restaurant should start fairly soon. The owners have completed the permit process. Also, Warren Kaplan of Vision Air recently told Mr. Drinkwater that his company is still interested in providing service through Palomar Airport but he has two other projects he is attending to first. As soon as Mr. Drinkwater receives a letter of commitment or a request for additional time he will forward it on to the PAAC members.

The PAAC members discussed adding additional committee members. Mr. Drinkwater said that there was a vacancy on the PAAC for a representative from San Marcos. Ms. Finnila said that the second vacancy really was not a vacancy because it had previously been filled by Hugh Lyttleton from the noise control hearing board which no longer exists. She said that she would contact both Mr. Desmond and the author of the letter which was supportive of the airport to see if they are interested in being on the committee and if so she would ask them to contact Philip Rath, a Legislative Assistant to Supervisor Horn.

### **MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ms. Reyes shared that Lynn Daileida passed away last week. Mrs. Daileida and her husband Bill had been at Palomar Airport for many years where they operated their business Aircrafters. They moved their business fairly recently to French Valley but still did a lot of work on the field. Her services were held on January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Mr. Williams said that he had recently visited Floyd Best at Yuma International Airport and that he was doing well.

### **SET AGENDA FOR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 16, 2006**

Ms. Finnila announced that the next meeting would be held on February 16, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

### **ADJOURN**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dan Thompson, Administrative Secretary I